

will it cost?" How do we increase the utility of our park? These and other questions elicited the support of civic organizations, brought private donations and dedications and helped Star to obtain the fine park area it has today. However, there is much to be done; the pool, for instance, is still a dry vision.

Two students are employed during the summer months to help direct and administer the fun and games. There are in Town high hopes that in the not too distant future there will be added to the park tennis and basketball courts, more and better quality equipment and, of course, a swimming pool.

Star is fortunate to be situated so near the 43,391 acre Uwharrie National Forest. It takes Star residents just a few minutes to reach this recreational area which is especially delightful for picnicking, relaxing and sightseeing.

Recommendations

The National Recreational Association considers ten acres of recreation per 1,000 persons a reasonable standard. Star has a little more than ten acres and a lot less than 1,000 people. In this sense, the Town is doing well; yet, if a future population increase should occur Star should be prepared for it. Joint planning of recreation areas and facilities with the nearby school facilities would reduce costs while increasing the available resources to meet the present and future needs. Community recreational desires and school recreational requirements could be jointly attained by designing such features as the gymnasium, auditorium, play fields, shops, music and art rooms and cafeterias at the two schools in order that activities could be organized so as to permit their evening and weekend use by adults in the community. If this were done at Montgomery County High, for example, the recreational choices of the people of Star would be increased ten fold.